

concerned State Governments to devise various methods and take concrete steps to curb left wing extremist activities in the States. However, keeping in view the overall dimensions of left wing extremist activities in some States, a high level Coordination Centre, headed by the Union Home Secretary with Chief Secretaries and Directors-General of Police of the seriously affected States, as its members, regularly reviews and coordinates steps taken by the States to check left extremist activities, monitors the plan of action in respect of each State and makes recommendations both on development and security aspects of the problem. The Coordination Centre has held meetings from time to time. The last meeting of the Centre was held at Hyderabad on 5.1.2001. Based on the presentation made by the State Government of Andhra Pradesh, other States were also requested to draw upon their experience. A Coordinated Action Group has been formed among the affected States for coordinating action against extremists. Police officers of seriously affected States as well as representatives of Central organisations, are its members.

States were also requested to modernize their police forces, upgrade their capabilities through specialised training, strengthen vulnerable police stations and to put into place a surrender policy and policy for placement of dedicated and administrative staff in affected areas to tackle the problem in a holistic manner.

Making papers of Netaji accessible to public

4290. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item "Sleeping Bomb lies in Netaji vault" appearing in Telegraph dated the 26th March, 2001;

(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether it is proposed to de-classify these papers and make them accessible to the public and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(d) whether these papers, on demand, would be made available to Mukherjee Commission of inquiry set up by Government and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO):
(a) and (b) The Government has seen the news-item.

(c) and (d) The Commission has directed various Ministries/Departments to submit certain documents/records in connection with the inquiry. Various documents/records are being made available to the Commission from time to time, by all concerned. The Commission has been informed that Intelligence Bureau has no material which has a bearing on the alleged disappearance of Netaji/INA in addition to what was given to Shah Nawaz Inquiry Committee in 1956. The Commission has further been informed that these papers will be provided to the Commission if so desired.

E-Biography of late Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri

4291. SHRI P. PRABHAKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that an E-Biography of the late Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri was recently released in New Delhi;

(b) whether it is also a fact that while speaking on the occasion Mrs. Neera Shastri, the daughter-in-law of late Shri Shastri demanded an inquiry into the causes of Shastri's death as reported in the Statesman dated the 21st March, 2001;

(c) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(d) whether Government propose to set up an Inquiry Commission for the purpose and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO):
(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) to (d) The Government has seen the press report. There is no such proposal under consideration.